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1. SOVIET MEDIA CAMPAIGN AGAINST WESTERN RADIO STATIONS
BROADCASTING TO USSR AND EAST EUROPE CONTINUED FEBRUARY 24
WITH TASS ATTACK ON DEUTSCHE WELLE (REF B) AND LENGTHY PIECE
IN IZVESTIYA ON RADIO LIBERTY.

2. IZVESTIYA'S CONTRIBUTION (ALSO EXCEPRTED ON TASS WIRE)
TAKES UP SIXTY-FIVE COLUMN INCHES PROMINENTLY POSITIONED ON
BACK PAGE AND HEADLINED: "THE OFFICE OF MR. SZYMANSKI -
SLANDERERS UNDER THE ROOF OF RADIO 'LIBERTY'." AUTHORS ARE
V. APARIN AND M. MIKHAYLOV. ALTHOUGH PACKED WITH "DETAILS"
(INCLUDING PHOTOSTATS OF RL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION AND LETTER
FROM WITOLD RYSER TO JON LODEESEN), ARTICLE ADDS NOTHING
NEW TO CHARGES PREVIOUSLY LEVELED AT RL AND RFE (SUCH AS
REPORTED REF A) BUT RATHER PLAYS HEAVILY ON CIA ANGLE.
AUTHORS TRY TO MAKE PARTICULAR POINT THAT MOVE OF RL'S
CULTURAL DIVISION TO PARIS NOT IN INTERESTS OF BETTER
FRANCO-SOVIET RELATIONS AND THAT "THE CIA, UNDER THE
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PRETEXT OF "ENLIVENING THE CULTURAL LIFE OF EMIGRANTS FROM
THE SOVIET UNION IN FRANCE,' IN FACT IS USING FRENCH
TERRITORY FOR INTENSIFYING ITS SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY AGAINST
OUR COUNTRY AND OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY."

3. FYI ARTICLE MENTIONS WHOLE RAFT OF NAMES, INTER ALIA
TRUSHIN, MARAMZIN, BETAKI, BUT DEVOTES MOST SPACE TO WITOLD

RYSER (A/K/A WIKTOR SZYMANSKI) "WHOSE HATRED TOWARD
EVERYTHING PROGRESSIVE IS WELL KNOWN." IN IDENTIFYING
LODEESEN AS HEAD OF RUSSIAN SERVICE OF RL IZVESTIYA CHARGED
THAT HE "IS A STAFF MEMBER OF THE CIA ... (WHO) IN HIS TIME
WAS EXPELLED FROM THE SOVIET UNION FOR ACTIVITY INCOMPATIBLE
WITH HIS DIPLOMATIC STATUS."
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